

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

McKenzie, Tennessee

NEWSLETTER



February 26, 2004

FROM THE PASTOR

One of the most important times in the lives of our children and grandchildren is coming soon--Summer Church Camp. Our Presbytery has one of the most outstanding camping facilities in the entire denomination. It is shameful that many of our youth do not take advantage of such an adventurous opportunity and attend Summer Camp.

First, it is FUN, and COOL to be away from parents, brothers and sisters, just being away from everything, and meeting new friends who will become life long camp friends. Secondly, you will have some time in your life to reflect upon your personal relationship with God. Oh yes, young person God is there and He is watching! So, that means you will have time to worship Him and have some quiet time alone; away from Television, Video Games, Game Boys, Radio's, and other distractions. You can enjoy the cool water at the large swimming pool. There will be crafts, drama and Bible classes. So as you begin to think about your summer, I hope and pray that Junior, Junior High and Senior High Camp at Clark Williamson will be a priority for you this year.

See you around the camp---Tony

WOW

WOW begins each Wednesday night with dinner in the Family Life Center. Two elders and their teams prepare the meals. Praise worship begins at 5:55 pm and classes for all age groups begin at 6:15 pm. The Adult Bible Study Group is finishing the book of Romans and will begin a study of the "Confession of Faith". If you'd like to order a new Confession of Faith, call the church office or sign up in the hallway. They are \$2.00 each.

March 3 - Team 1 with Elders Finley and Stambaugh and team members: D. Blount; Keenans; Kelleys; Kirks; Warmans; Washburns; Wilsons; Youngs; T. Howells; F. Jensen; R. Morris; Olsons; Peters; Reids; Lynn Watkins'.

March 10 - Team 2 with Elders Lankford and Lunn and team members Aljancics; Eddie Basfords; A. Henderson; Holancins; T. Johnson; L. Krushe; McKinnies; Moss'; Mark Stambaugh; T. & L. Walker; Ervins; J. Fortner; Hills; Kempes; Nienabers; J. Pinson; Tom Smiths.

March 17 - Team 3 with Elders Claytor and Webb and team members Russell Basfords; C. & M. Blount; J. Garrett; H. Graham; L. McNeil; Nanneys; B. Pates; P. Ridley; Waddles; Wards; Carrolls; G. Coleman; G. Corbin; Holcombs; J. Martin; Renfros; L. Ridley; Rutledges; Taylors

Missionary to Visit

Kenneth Hopson, one of our own Cumberland Presbyterian missionaries will be speaking in worship at Milan C. P. Church on Sunday, February 29 at 6 pm. You are invited to attend. His wife, Delight, and their children Kaleb, Austin, and Emily are home on leave from Tanzania. The Hopsons have responded to God's call to go to Uganda. Come meet the Hopsons and become involved in their mission work through your prayers and financial support.

Women's Ministry

West Tennessee Presbyterial Spring Retreat

March 12-13, 2004

Camp Clark Williamson Lodge

The retreat begins Friday evening with registration at 6:30 pm; Entertainment at 7 pm and guest speaker Delight Hopson at 7:45 pm. Cost for the weekend if you pre-register by March 1 is \$25 to stay in a cabin or \$35 to stay in the lodge. Saturday only fee is \$10 if you register by March 1--\$12 after March 1. Saturday begins with breakfast, singing, & devotional. Special guests include: Delight Hopson, Cornelia Swain, Pat White, and Patricia Smith. Registration forms are available on the table in the hallway under the bulletin board.

Sunday, March 29 - Fifth Sunday

Morning worship will begin with praise songs on Sunday, March 29th at **10:35 am**. We are starting a little early. The choir will lead in the singing. Join us in singing as you arrive.

The Passion of The Christ

The church has reserved 50 tickets for "The Passion of The Christ" showing at the Parisian Theater in Paris, Tennessee for Tuesday, March 9. Call the church office to sign up. Tickets are \$6.00 each. The movie begins at 7:30 pm. You may get your tickets at the theater the night of the movie. Deadline for signing up is Monday, March 1. Sign up on Sunday at the table under the bulletin board in hallway (beside Choir Room).

Women of Faith Conference

We are approaching our deadline of **March 5** to sign up for this conference. The Glory Be's Circle is gathering a group to attend the 2004 Women of Faith Conference in Nashville at the Gaylord Entertainment Center. Conference dates are Friday night and Saturday, May 14th and 15th. The theme for the weekend is "Irrepressible Hope". Cost for the conference is \$59.00 each if we have 10 or more attending. This does not include t-shirts, meals, or hotel cost. Deadline to sign-up and pay is **March 5th**. We will arrange hotel and travel arrangements once we have a group committed to go. Featured speakers and guests for the conference include Natalie Grant, Babbie Mason, and Tammy Trent, Sheila Walsh, Marilyn Meberg, Luci Swindoll, Patsy Clairmont, Thelma Wells, and Nicole Johnson. Please contact Traci Lunn for more information.

Junior High Retreat Camp Clark Williamson March 19-21

The West Tennessee Presbytery Junior High Retreat will be Friday March 19 beginning at 6 pm and continuing until Sunday, March 21 at 1:30 pm. Lisa Peterson will be the director. You must pre-register and your registration must be postmarked at least one week prior to the retreat. Cost is \$50. Registration forms are in a basket on the table under the bulletin board.

Bethel College Youth Festival

The Bethel College Youth Festival is March 12-14 on campus. Jonah 33, a popular Christian rock band and Verbs, a rapper from Nashville will be the guest artists. Festival begins Friday at 7 pm and ends Sunday afternoon following morning worship and Sunday dinner. Cost is \$50. Bring your Bible, clothes, sleeping bags or sheets, personal toiletries, swim wear, sports & musical equipment. Registration forms are in the basket on the table beneath the bulletin board.

Little League Baseball Sign-Up

Any child interested in playing Little League Baseball in the city league this spring and summer can sign up on the days listed below:

Saturday, February 28 10am-2pm Middle School

Saturday, March 6 - 10am-2 pm City Hall

Saturday, March 13 - 10am-1pm City Hall

Craig Lunn

Death, Dying and Grief Seminar

The First Cumberland Presbyterian Church is offering a seminar March 20, 2004, on Grief and Loss. This seminar will focus on the stages of grief and loss, identified by Dr. Elizabeth K. Ross. We will look at different kinds of loss such as--sudden death of a mate, the death of a child, sudden death tragedies such as auto accidents, and the grieving process for a loved one who is terminally ill.

The seminar will begin at 8 am and there is a \$10.00 fee. This fee is for materials you will receive and for snacks and drinks during our breaks. You may register by calling the church office as soon as possible. There will be a limit of 20 person for the seminar.

Ladies Exercise Group

Rachel Carroll is leading our exercise group. Bring your steps and small weights and join us as we attempt to rejuvenate ourselves both physically and spiritually. We will have a 30-45 minute exercise time followed by 10-15 minutes of devotion, prayer, and support for one another. We meet at the church on Monday and Thursday nights from 6:30-7:30.

On the first & third Monday nights of the month, we do "yoga".

Thank You Notes

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church Congregation,

I would like to express my gratitude for your willingness to help me with my Girl Scout Gold Award. Thanks to everyone's contribution, my cell phone drive was a great success.

With heartfelt thanks, Amanda Rogers

Many thanks to the youth of the church who worked at the Dinner Theater as the waiters and waitresses for the evening. You did a fantastic job--Kate, Virginia and Holland Hames, Rachael Clark, Andrew Webb, Carol and Lauren Perritt, Joe Walker, Jr. and Roger Morris. Jean Garrett has given a donation to the youth fund in honor of youth.

To the McKenzie WOW Children,

Thank you for the Valentine Day Hearts!!!

Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home

Women's Ministry Dinner Theater

The Women's Ministry would like to thank everyone who was involved in making our annual Dinner Theater such a success. We were able to donate \$1,333.50 to the building fund because of your generosity.

Thanks to the many who performed, decorated, cooked, cleaned and served.

Our church is blessed with many talented people who are willing to share their gifts eagerly. A great deal of thanks is expressed to our youth, without whom the event would not have been such a success.

March Calendar

Women's Ministry & Circle Meetings

Circle I will meet on Monday, March 1 at 1:30 pm in the Conference Room of the church. Edna Gene Forester is the program leader.

Circle II will meet on Tuesday, March 2 at 6 pm at the home of Katrina Holancin for a potluck supper and they will work on the Bethel letters.

Circle III will meet at the home of Frances Jensen on Monday, March 8. Demetra Perkins will have the program. Meeting time is 7 pm.

Glory Be Circle Meeting will be Sunday, March 7 at 6 pm at the church Reception Room. Kelly Peters is hostess for a potluck meal. Marcia Webb is program leader.

The Women's Ministry quarterly meeting is Monday, March 15 at 6 pm in the Worship and Family Life Center. It is an add-a-dish dinner. The Glory Be Circle will be hostess and have the program.

Acolytes

Mitchell Locke
Brice Webb

Supervisor - Marcia Webb

Nursery Helpers

7- Johnna Baumgardner – B
Virginia Hames –T

Sub: Marjorie Matlock

14- Janet Baumgardner – B
Missy Blount -T

Sub: Linda Kemp

21- Carol Perritt – B

Kate Hames –T

Sub: Paula Watkins

28- Sarah Bradberry - B

Carrie Stambaugh- T

Sub: Meredith Surber

Ushers

Tommy Johnson, Chairman - 352-7429

Craig Lunn, Co-Chairman -352-1313

John Howell

Jan Kirk

Doug Long

Andrew Webb

Greeters

March 7 (A) Rebecca Pate/Sandra Pate

(B) Ruth Morris

March 14 (A) Clifford & Marjorie Matlock

(B) Linda Hearn

March 21 (A) Dave & Martha Peters

(B) Jean Garrett

March 28 (A) John and JoAnn Motheral

(B) Sandra Spires

Sound System Helpers

March 7 & 14 - Terry Howell

March 21 & 28 - Larry Ridley

March Birthdays

1 - Jack Hall

Justin Stambaugh

Virginia Walker

2 - Trent Rutledge

3 - Lynda Lankford

Erica Pugh

4 - Linda Kelly

8 - Bob Hull

9 - Nicholas Baker

10 - Angela Kreuter Rogers

11 - Jean McKinnie

Brice Webb

12 - Suzanne Howell

Brandon Hill

14 - Alli Basford

16 - Dave Peters

18 - Amy Howell

19 - Stacie Warman

20 - Matt Warren

21 - Eric Corbin

Terry Howell

22 - Doris Blount

Joe Hames

23 - Debbie Medlock

Jane Christopher

Dennis Holcomb

28 - Frank Claytor

30 - Mark Thompson

March Anniversaries

10 - Charles & Linda Kemp

14 - Bob & Kathy Hull

16 - Eddie & Kim Moss

March Children's Church

March 7 - "On my bed I remember you; I think
of you through the watches of the night."

Psalms 63:6

Bible Story: David loved to Pray

March 14 - Bob Rutledge will share a Bible
story.

March 21 - "How beautiful are the feet of those
who bring good news!"

Romans 10:15

Bible story: Paul was a Missionary

March 28 - We will go over the Bible verses and
watch a Bible video.

Youth Calendar

This year's Youth Mission Trip is scheduled for May 24 - 28 to the Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home in Denton, Texas. Mark your calendars youth!

Cumberland Presbyterian Youth Conference for 2004 (CPYC) is July 4-9 at NaCoMe Conference Center, Pleasantville, TN

2004 Presbyterian Youth Triennium - July 20-25 at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana. Jean Garrett is going to Triennium.

Relay for Life

There were not enough people who signed up to participate in Relay for Life this year for the Cumberland Presbyterian Church to have a team. It takes a minimum of 15 team members to be able to participate in the event; only half that number signed up. Thank you to everyone who offered their help. Perhaps schedules will permit more participation next year.

Church-League Basketball

Listed below is the rest of the schedule and it will also be posted on the bulletin board at the church.

March 2-6:30 pm - at Carroll Academy Gym

March 4-8:30 pm - at Carroll Academy Gym

March 8-7:30 pm - at Carroll Academy Gym

March 11-6:30 pm - at Carroll Academy Gym

March 15-8:30 pm-at First Baptist-McKenzie Gym

A single elimination tournament will begin on March 23.

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Remember in your Prayers

Millie Finley; Anita Baker (recovering from surgery); Regel Baker at McKenzie Health Care Center; Gloria "Doty" McCullar; Cathey Stambaugh and family at the death of her brother, Walter Colley; Sara Fitzgerald (Missy Blount and Anita Baker's mother); Lynda Lankford; Jimmy Carroll; Denise Pyburn; Susan Davis; Rachel Kilzer; Mary Frances Carpenter (Audra Henderson's grandmother); the family of Kenneth King; Jim Steele, Sr.; Van Lynch; James Hudson; Charles Hudson; Christy Tynes; Joe Neisler; Gail Hudgins; William and Evora Bryant; Betty McNabb & Tom McNabb; Elizabeth Barlow; Elaine Bulter; Janice Chandler; Ray Gurley; Shelba McCasklin; Doris Smoron; Louise Hastings; Berneal McKennie (Gary's mother); Mark and Kathy Holloman; Ressie White (Bubba Waddle's sister-in-law); Judi Smartt Keen; Jane Pate; Faye Headden; Mary K Pollard; Renee Nespeca; Betty Smith; Raydell Bartmess (Charro Keenan's grandmother); our military, our church; the Session, our nation's leaders, missionaries and denominational institutions.

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Walter Waddle-Choir Director; Zia McKennie-Organist; June Perritt, Secretary
Office Hours - Monday-Friday - 8am-4pm
Sunday School - 9:45 am; Sunday Worship - 10:45 am
Sunday Evening - Children's Choir and Youth Fellowship
Prayer and Bible Study Groups - Sundays and Wednesdays
School of Discovery-Tuesday/Thursday 8:00am-11:00 am
WOW - Worship on Wednesday 5:30 pm-Classes for all ages; Praise Choir

"A Family of Faith with Open Hands and Loving Hearts"